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1. The amendment filed on July 17, 2000 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Newly submitted claims 38-51 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reasons: The claimed subject matter in the original claims is directed to the composition claims. However the newly amended claims read on a method claims.

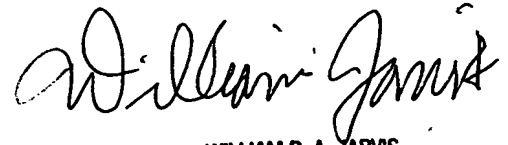
Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, claims 38-51 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER

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